

## Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC) Considerations for the MICRC Calendar Beginning August 24, 2021

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. On August 24, 2021 the MICRC is scheduled to meet from 12-7 p.m. Recommendation: End meeting at 5 p.m. to enable the use of state facilities at no charge.
- 2. Adding an afternoon meeting time on August 26, 2021 would make up for hours lost on August 24.

Recommendation: Add a 1-4 p.m. Commission meeting on August 26, 2021.

3. Starting August 30 through September 28, 2021, meetings are scheduled on Mondays and Tuesdays until 7 p.m.

Recommendation: End the Monday and Tuesday meetings at 5 p.m. to enable the use of state facilities at no charge. (Note: 4 hours were added on Thursday afternoons.)

## FOR CONSIDERATION IN OCTOBER

- 1. We anticipate conducting the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of Public Hearings in October. The Commission has approved the following eight locations for Public Hearings: Marquette, Gaylord, Lansing, Flint, Novi, Detroit (TCF), Warren, and Grand Rapids. Should the Commission consider two additional Public Hearings in Kalamazoo and Cadillac to balance out the state geographically?
- 2. When should Public Hearings start? October 4 per the draft calendar, or later so we are sure to have draft maps for consideration? If later, we should utilize a condensed time frame of up to three or four hearings per week. Once on the road, consider staying on the road 3-4 days without going home in between Public Hearing days.
- 3. If the Public Hearings are considered a "listening tour" once again, it would be wise to utilize a day at the end of each week for mapping to incorporate what has been learned.
- 4. Assuming that attendance will be greater when the public has draft maps to which to react, consider 6-8 hours each day for Public Hearings, such as 10-2 and 4-8; or 11-3 & 4-8, etc.